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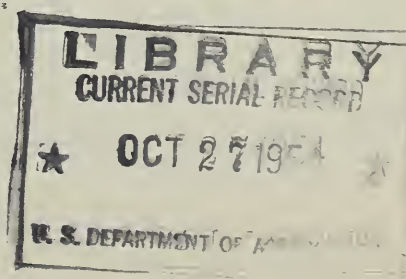
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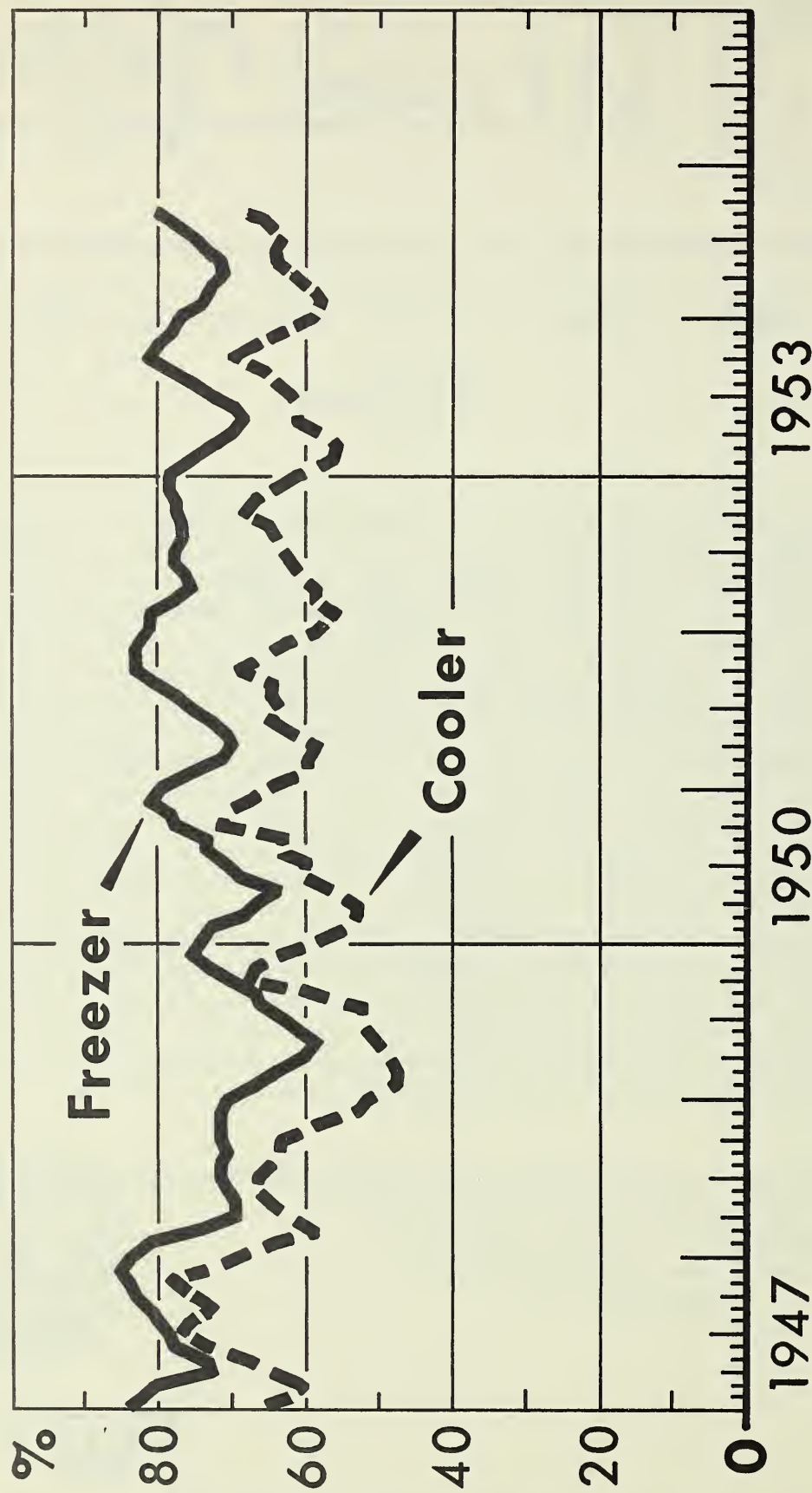
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PERCENTAGE OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES



END OF MONTH OCCUPANCY

COLD STORAGE REPORT

Analysis of holdings and space September 30, 1954

[Data for this report are collected from public, private, and semiprivate warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants where food products are generally stored for 30 days or more. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All September 30 figures are preliminary.]

Commodity summary

Storage holdings of turkeys reached a new high for September 30, according to warehouse reports received by the Agricultural Marketing Service. Over 77 million pounds were in storage as compared with 69 million this time last year and an average of 52 million pounds for September 30. Total poultry stocks were the second largest in history for this date. Creamery butter holdings fell off during September to less than 490 million pounds but American cheese stocks, approximately 579 million pounds, were relatively unchanged from the month before. The new apple crop brought total stocks up to about 7 million bushels and pears totaled 3 million bushels. Frozen fruit stocks, totaling more than 399 million pounds, were 7 percent greater than this time last year and were about 15 percent greater than average for September 30. Also above average and last year's stocks were the 692 million pounds of frozen vegetables reported on September 30. Frozen orange concentrate stocks of 23 million gallons compares with 14 million a year ago this date. Meat and meat products were reduced to 435 million pounds by September 30 as a result of a 33 million pound net reduction during the month. This net disappearance was only about half as great as the change this time last year and about two-fifths as great as the average September net reduction in storage holdings of meats.

Storage occupancy

Utilization of public refrigerated space increased during September. Cooler occupancy was up to 68 percent, the highest for any September 30 since 1947. Average cooler occupancy for this time of year is 64 percent. Above average use of freezer space also prevailed last month. The reported occupancy of 80 percent of public freezer space was 4 points better than average for September 30 and was a gain of 3 points over the previous month's level. Freezer occupancy was even higher than the national use in the larger storage centers of the country reaching 90 percent or better in Boston, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Detroit, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Baltimore, Nashville, and Modesto.

General commodity movement

The net weight of products in freezer space totaled almost 2.8 billion pounds. This was the largest quantity ever reported in storage. During the past month net accumulations of poultry, fruits, vegetables, and selected meat items offset net out-of-storage movements of dairy, eggs, juices, and other freezer products. Cooler-held products aggregated almost 1.9 billion pounds as a result of September net accumulations in stocks of fresh fruits, vegetables, dairy products, and certain meat products. During the month, such cooler products as dried and evaporated fruits, nuts, cheese, eggs, and beef were reduced in quantity.

Fruits, juices, and vegetables

Apple stocks were almost up to 7 million bushels by September 30 which were slightly under the reported stocks a year ago this date, and compares with an average of almost 9 million bushels for this time of year. Over 3 million bushels of pears also were in storage on September 30 which were only about two-thirds of average for this date and for a year earlier. The continued net into-storage movement of frozen fruits brought national stocks to more than 399 million pounds--a gain of almost 7 percent over the August 31 total and the stocks reported a year ago this date. Current stocks also were 15 percent greater than the September 30 average. Blackberries, blueberries, grapes, peaches, plums and prunes were the

fruit items contributing to the total net increase as stocks of all the other fruits were reduced in quantity during September. The most significant changes were in stocks of peaches which at 31 million pounds were up 12 million pounds from the month before and 4 million above the stocks of a year ago this date. Blueberry stocks showed a gain of 8 million pounds since August 31 to total 29 million pounds and were 13 million pounds over those of September 30, 1953. Cherry stocks were reduced by 7 million pounds to 69 million which compares with 66 million a year ago this date. Strawberry stocks at 142 million pounds were slightly under the stocks of the month before. A year ago over 149 million pounds were on hand. Orange concentrate stocks totaled about 23 million gallons as compared with 14 million a year ago September 30 and an average of 12 million gallons for this time of year. Frozen vegetable holdings advanced 90 million pounds during September to total 692 million pounds. But this increase was about 20 percent less than the September 1953 increase at which time stocks totaled 688 million pounds. Stock increases were reported for almost all frozen vegetable items with the exception of asparagus, green peas, spinach, pumpkin and squash. Stock increases for lima beans, corn, and snap beans were significantly large enough to bring snap beans and corn to new storage records and lima beans close to the 1953 record high.

Dairy and poultry products

For the first time this year, butter stocks were reduced. By September 30, holdings were down to about 490 million pounds as compared with 323 million pounds a year earlier. American cheese holdings leveled off at 578 million pounds, almost the same as in storage on August 31. Poultry stocks at 188 million pounds were the second largest in history for September 30. The September net increase of 41 million pounds was 8 million pounds less than the change last year this date and 2 million pounds under the average September change. Almost all of the increase was in stocks of fowls, 12 million pounds, and turkeys, 26 million pounds. Fowls at 40 million pounds were slightly under average for September and only a little above holdings this time a year ago. Turkeys at 77 million pounds were at a record high for September 30. Shell egg stocks were reduced to 821,000 cases and frozen egg stocks to 140 million pounds by September 30. Both products were above their September 30, 1953 levels but only frozen eggs were above average for this time of year.

Meats and meat products

Cold storage holdings of beef were reduced by 5 million pounds during September to a total of 109 million pounds. This net decrease stands in contrast to a net increase of 6 million pounds during September 1953. Current stocks were about three-fourths as great as those this time last year and only slightly below average for September 30. Holdings of frozen pork, 106 million pounds, were 3 percent greater than average. Total pork stocks, however, were about 20 percent under average for September 30.

Storage outlook

The September net increase of 3 points in cooler occupancy may be surpassed during October if the 5-year average pattern prevails. According to historical performance, a rise of 6 points may be expected; during October 1953 a 5 point gain was reported. The outlook for freezer occupancy is a continuation of the upward cycle. A 2 point gain may prevail but much will depend upon the withdrawal rate of butter and the build up rate of stocks for poultry, fruits, and vegetables. Should stock accumulations of fruits and vegetables continue at above average rates, freezer occupancy may be near 83 percent on October 31.

PUBLIC GENERAL COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES

(APPLE HOUSES EXCLUDED)

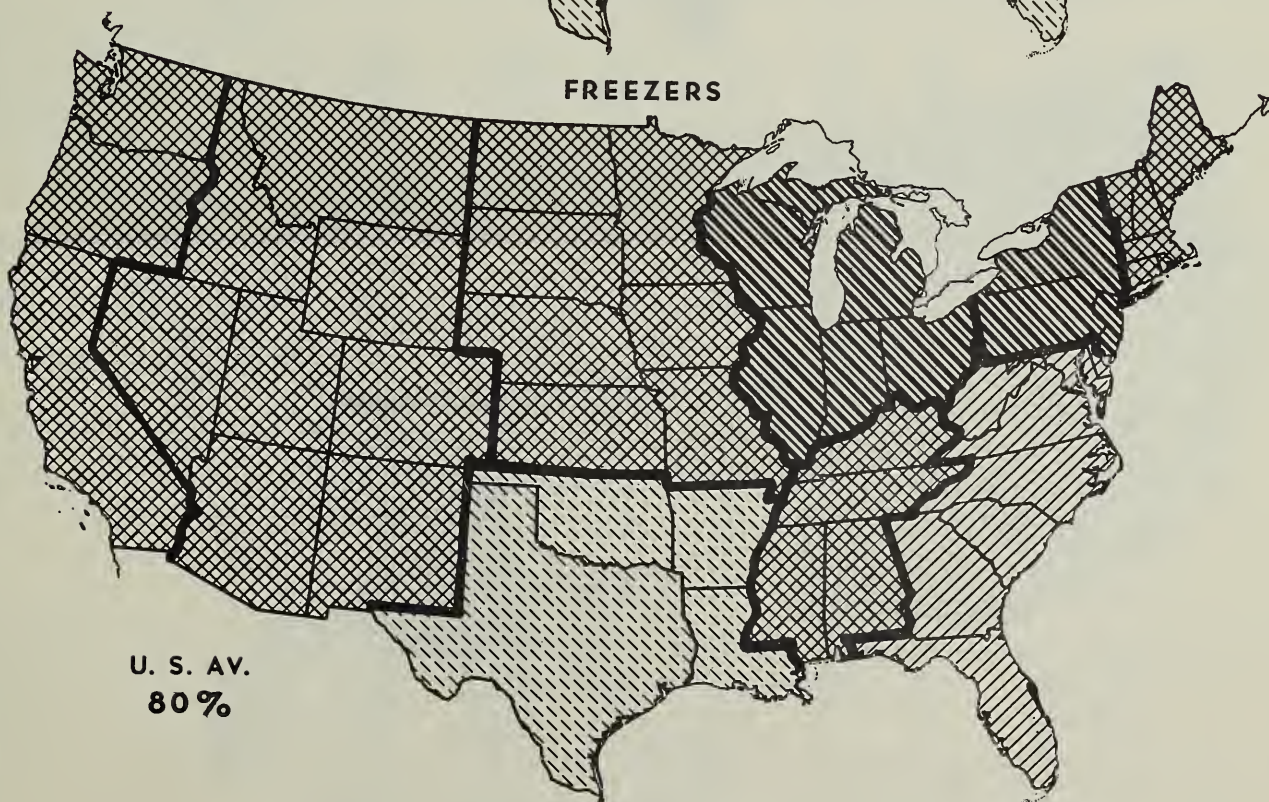
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SEPTEMBER 30, 1954

COOLERS



FREEZERS



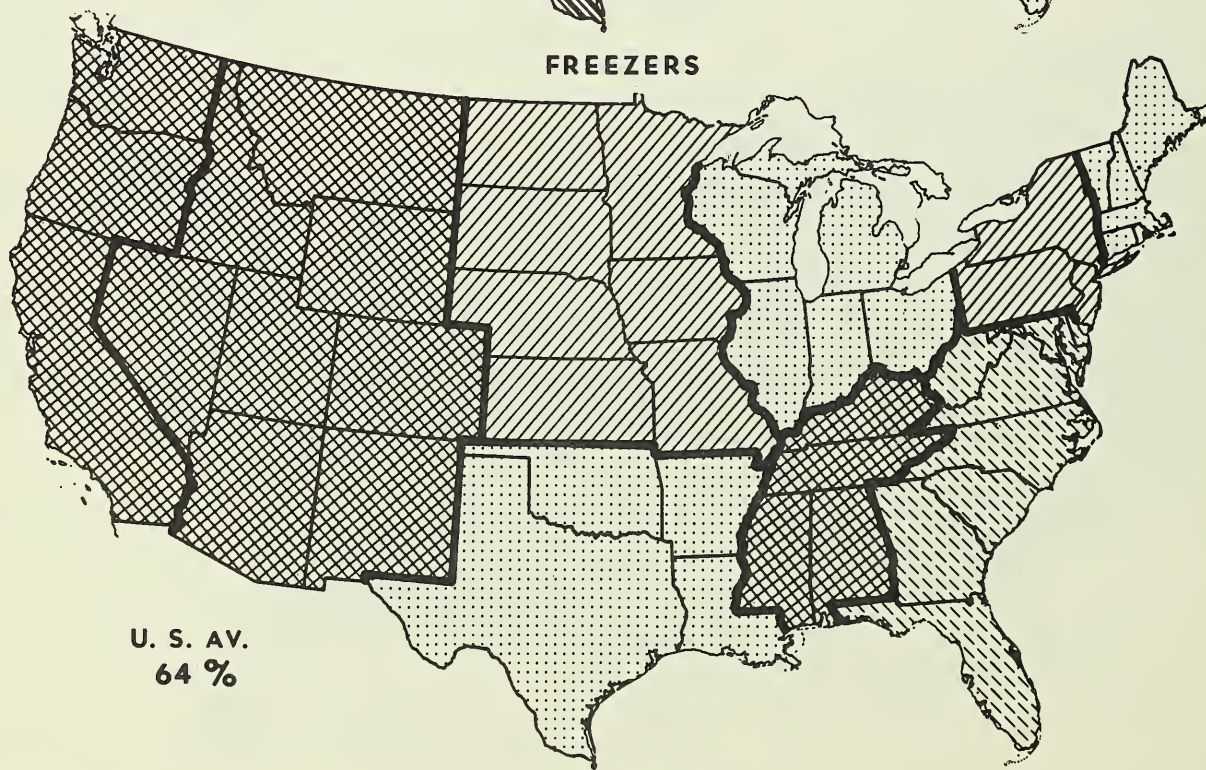
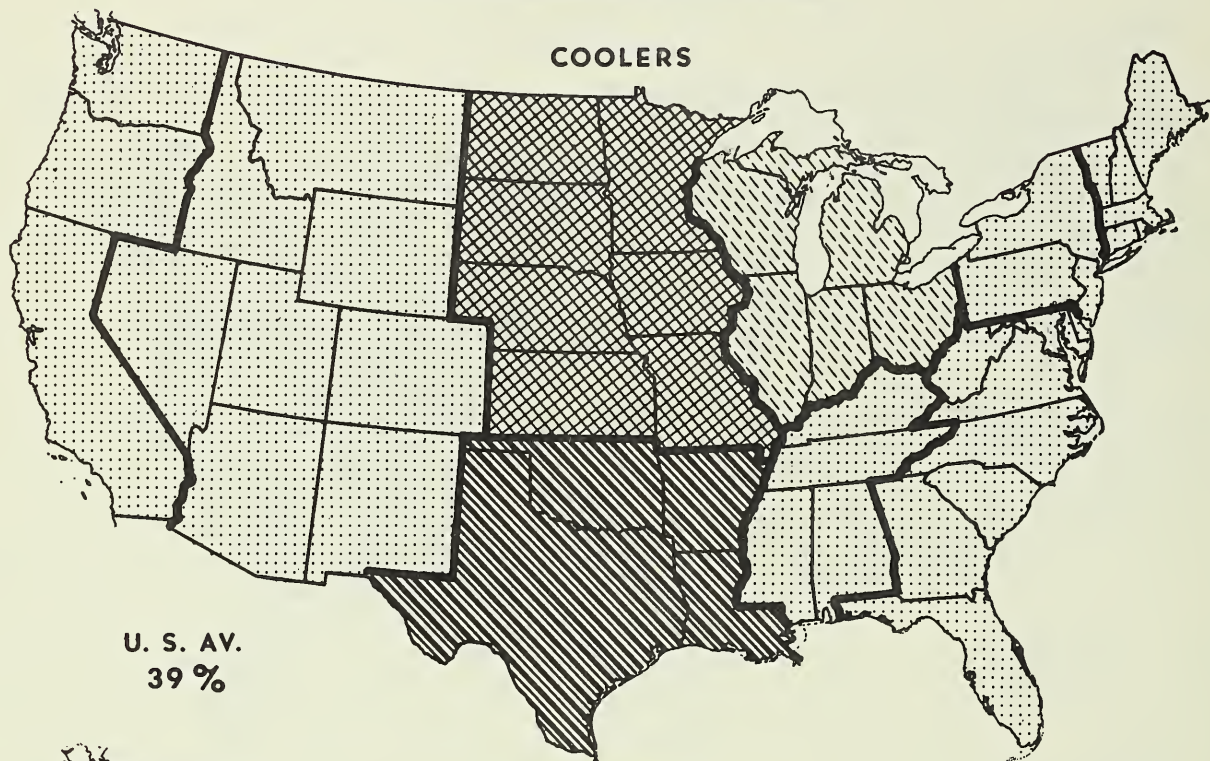
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COLD STORAGE WAREHOUSES OTHER THAN PUBLIC

PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED

SEPTEMBER 30, 1954



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TABLE 1c -- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general refrigerated warehouses

State or geographic region	Net piling space reported (1) September 1954		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			September 1949-53 av.		September 1953		August 1954		September 1954 (2)	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.	445	1,186	56	86	20	70	19	62	20	67
Massachusetts	2,019	5,977	50	79	49	75	60	83	60	86
R. I. and Connecticut	285	855	63	73	62	76	79	74	59	59
New England	2,749	8,018	52	78	47	74	52	80	53	80
New York	19,400	18,361	59	75	62	75	47	81	63	82
New Jersey	5,220	11,543	60	71	64	90	71	86	64	88
Pennsylvania	5,526	8,013	58	82	72	85	75	89	70	89
Middle Atlantic	30,146	37,917	59	80	64	82	56	84	64	86
Ohio	3,624	6,291	65	75	69	90	72	86	68	87
Indiana	708	2,060	75	74	81	85	80	78	77	79
Illinois	14,544	15,223	66	74	68	84	78	87	79	87
Michigan	3,734	4,035	80	90	78	94	77	86	83	90
Wisconsin	4,922	1,659	88	82	85	87	86	91	85	89
East North Central	27,532	29,268	71	77	73	87	78	86	79	87
Minnesota	887	4,147	72	77	78	85	90	90	86	90
Iowa	296	1,612	60	61	64	67	65	71	57	67
Missouri	4,836	7,586	70	62	76	66	76	75	72	74
Dakotas and Nebraska	880	3,868	65	75	71	86	72	86	60	91
Kansas	7,187	2,952	63	70	50	71	73	84	76	85
West North Central	14,086	20,165	68	68	65	75	75	81	74	82
Delaware, Maryland & D.C. Virginia and West Va.	1,029 6,617	5,459 2,742	55 61	76 78	67 51	68 81	70 38	67 67	71 47	78 75
North and South Carolina	269	343	66	85	47	68	50	92	55	94
Georgia	3,356	1,921	57	69	64	72	82	74	64	77
Florida	1,177	4,446	61	59	81	35	70	50	72	48
South Atlantic	12,448	14,911	59	71	59	62	56	62	56	69
Kentucky	(3)	(3)	78	88	73	85	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Tennessee	2,158	3,466	82	85	84	75	90	83	92	83
Alabama and Mississippi	855	1,047	77	86	91	83	73	88	71	87
East South Central	3,013	4,513	80	85	83	78	84	84	85	84
Arkansas	(3)	(3)	62	76	72	83	43	66	(3)	(3)
Louisiana	1,044	1,285	72	81	72	79	80	80	77	81
Oklahoma	605	1,231	68	69	44	75	74	79	67	75
Texas	6,071	6,431	53	58	59	67	58	43	56	48
West South Central	7,720	8,947	60	59	61	72	61	54	60	57
Mountain	1,107	3,645	54	76	46	68	61	69	59	82
Washington	1,911	7,085	49	75	49	78	47	66	37	73
Oregon	1,665	6,301	52	80	51	75	32	71	38	81
California	12,372	19,018	65	80	64	84	63	79	66	74
Pacific	15,948	32,404	61	78	61	81	58	74	59	75
United States (4)	114,749	159,788	64	76	65	79	65	77	68	80

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held September 30, 1954.

(2) Preliminary.

(3) Insufficient returns received from this state.

(4) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

TABLE 2. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in private and semiprivate general refrigerated warehouses

Region	Net piling space (1)		Percentage of net piling space occupied					
			September 1952		September 1953		September 1954	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middle Atlantic	2,208	1,579	59	63	58	64	56	62
East North Central	3,543	5,471	71	42	78	36	68	48
West North Central	330	2,498	59	75	54	89	73	84
South Atlantic	744	9,119	25	70	25	37	34	55
East South Central	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West South Central	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mountain	172	176	-	-	29	-	62	59
Pacific	1,717	5,684	52	79	49	78	38	83
United States (2)	8,714	24,527	60	58	62	52	56	63

- (1) These figures represent space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held September 30, 1954.
(2) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

TABLE 3. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in meat-packing plants

Region	Net piling space (1)		Percentage of net piling space occupied					
			September 1952		September 1953		September 1954	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middle Atlantic	508	222	95	86	94	74	92	73
East North Central	2,977	774	81	73	61	68	82	78
West North Central	6,212	5,042	83	77	74	87	83	60
South Atlantic	532	124	100	100	96	98	98	100
East South Central	-	-	-	-	100	86	-	-
West South Central	544	33	100	100	100	100	100	100
Mountain	166	107	89	100	100	100	100	100
Pacific	679	205	91	93	79	93	93	93
United States (2)	11,618	6,507	84	79	76	85	86	66

- (1) These figures represent space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held September 30, 1954.
(2) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 4.—United States refrigerated net piling space capacity, October 1, 1953 ^{1/}

State or geographic region	Type of warehouse							
	Public general		Private & semiprivate general		Meat-packing plants		Apple houses	
	Freezer 1,000 cu. ft.	Cooler 1,000 cu. ft.	Freezer 1,000 cu. ft.	Cooler 1,000 cu. ft.	Freezer 1,000 cu. ft.	Cooler 1,000 cu. ft.	Freezer 1,000 cu. ft.	Cooler 1,000 cu. ft.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.....	1,221	462	472	24	2/	2/	7	963
Massachusetts.....	7,539	2,845	650	545	2/	2/	14	2,309
Rhode Island & Conn.....	1,106	333	176	70	2/	2/	2	2,367
NEW ENGLAND.....	9,866	3,640	1,298	639	574	84	23	5,639
New York.....	19,477	22,852	1,886	2,993	560	3,452	401	14,558
New Jersey.....	12,138	4,711	505	292	281	103	35	1,984
Pennsylvania.....	8,668	6,267	1,113	1,009	117	864	124	3,641
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	40,283	33,830	3,504	4,294	958	4,419	560	20,183
Ohio.....	7,309	4,774	423	222	325	1,853	18	897
Indiana.....	1,831	644	518	403	312	445	-	443
Illinois.....	15,111	15,671	4,876	2,934	1,958	5,122	-	1,539
Michigan.....	5,308	4,096	1,752	1,461	227	847	57	2,475
Wisconsin.....	2,012	6,014	522	3,820	1,593	1,788	-	-
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	31,571	31,199	8,091	8,840	4,415	10,055	75	5,354
Minnesota.....	5,001	1,085	1,152	97	1,648	1,577	-	-
Iowa.....	3,296	609	755	503	2,630	1,930	-	-
Missouri.....	8,340	5,165	232	305	956	2,234	2/	2/
Dakotas and Nebraska.....	4,148	732	1,533	439	2,652	4,300	-	-
Kansas.....	2,909	7,273	747	227	621	1,785	2/	2/
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	23,694	14,864	4,419	1,571	8,507	11,826	5	735
Delaware, Maryland & D. C..	7,132	872	272	119	2/	2/	-	986
Virginia and W. Virginia...	2,858	6,811	940	1,416	-	184	480	14,587
North and South Carolina...	694	482	347	214	2/	2/	9	326
Georgia.....	2,396	3,504	631	207	408	486	-	-
Florida.....	5,081	1,129	9,588	35	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	18,161	12,798	11,778	1,991	457	1,016	489	15,899
Kentucky.....	953	889	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
Tennessee.....	3,974	2,081	257	3	274	429	2/	2/
Alabama and Mississippi....	1,008	1,094	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	5,935	4,064	387	119	329	529	2/	2/
Arkansas.....	488	256	540	52	2/	2/	2/	2/
Louisiana.....	1,542	972	540	52	2/	2/	2/	2/
Oklahoma.....	1,120	602	100	103	809	1,790	-	-
Texas.....	9,755	4,102	219	714	1,014	1,486	-	-
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	12,905	5,932	859	869	1,846	3,280	2/	2/
MOUNTAIN.....	4,571	1,556	1,143	238	1,064	764	2/	2/
Washington.....	7,974	2,091	4,348	837	339	1,152	259	52,376
Oregon.....	6,845	2,039	3,234	820	352	1,664	-	6,489
California.....	21,756	12,198	3,759	11,936	691	2,816	831	6,097
PACIFIC.....	36,575	16,328	11,341	13,593	691	2,816	1,090	64,962
UNITED STATES.....	183,561	124,211	42,820	32,154	18,841	34,789	2,252	113,548

^{1/} Total storage capacity in the United States and the lowest temperature at which it could be held as reported by the latest biennial survey, October 1, 1953.

^{2/} Not shown to avoid disclosure of individual plant reports.

Table 5. — Net changes in storage holdings during September (1)

Cooler commodities	Holdings	September		Freezer commodities	Holdings	September	
	: Sept. 30, :	: net change :			: Sept. 30, :	: net change :	
	: 1954 :	: Quan. :	: Pct. :		: 1954 :	: Quan. :	: Pct. :
	1,000 <u>pounds</u>	1,000 <u>pounds</u>	<u>Pct.</u>		1,000 <u>pounds</u>	1,000 <u>pounds</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
Apples.....	326,160	314,400	-	Cream.....	18,107	-4,141	19
Pears.....	168,150	35,800	27	Butter, creamery..	489,611	-18,865	4
Other fresh fruits..	54,329	24,536	82	Eggs.....	140,294	-20,503	13
Fresh vegetables...	44,161	28,066	-	Poultry.....	188,075	41,424	28
Dried & evap. fts..	27,120	-9,518	26	Fruits.....	399,088	24,545	7
Nuts & nut meats...	74,080	-34,070	32	Juices.....	327,458	-74,092	18
Cheese.....	611,806	-1,432	.2	Vegetables.....	691,857	89,548	15
Other dairy prod...	113,050	1,668	1	Beef.....	101,911	-3,943	4
Shell eggs.....	36,945	-9,450	20	Veal.....	12,173	-743	6
Dried eggs.....	3,153	-410	12	Pork.....	118,509	-21,345	15
Beef.....	6,798	-615	8	Lamb and mutton..	8,052	185	2
Pork.....	89,400	516	1	Edible offal.....	49,523	562	1
Sausage.....	9,730	95	1	Sausage.....	4,262	-212	5
Canned meats.....	34,327	-7,098	17	Miscellaneous....	230,385	-1,480	1
Miscellaneous.....	257,894	2,673	1				
Total.....	1,857,103	345,161	23	Total.....	2,779,305	10,940	.3

(1) For a detailed breakdown see the following tables.

NET WEIGHT OF COOLER AND FREEZER COMMODITIES

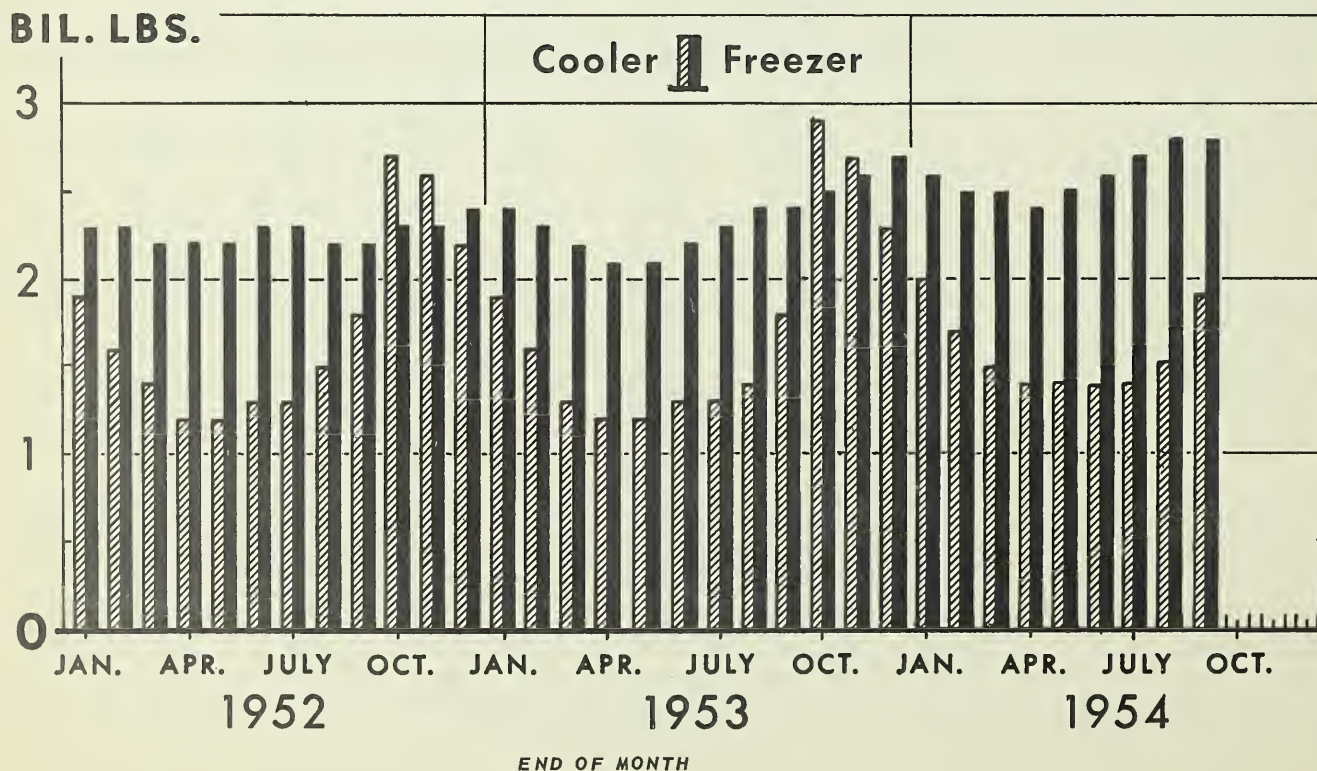


TABLE 6. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general warehouses in selected cities

City (1)	Net piling space reported (2)		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			August 1953		September 1953		August 1954		September 1954	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England :										
Boston	1,145	4,089	52	77	36	80	61	87	48	93
Middle Atlantic :										
New York	10,617	16,529	70	81	66	82	73	84	66	84
Buffalo	606	2,000	98	65	100	65	99	73	92	80
Rochester	5,397	2,334	24	60	45	59	15	71	46	70
Philadelphia	2,416	5,251	64	77	76	90	77	88	78	91
Pittsburgh	1,340	2,086	84	91	79	90	85	91	83	91
E. N. Central :										
Cleveland	2,210	2,516	68	86	67	92	71	87	69	92
Cincinnati	(3)	(3)	69	85	60	89	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Chicago	11,466	14,368	67	84	68	84	78	87	79	87
Detroit	3,063	3,308	74	93	79	95	77	87	85	93
Milwaukee	717	1,060	84	94	80	96	81	92	82	95
W. N. Central :										
Minneapolis	440	2,150	77	91	72	91	94	88	81	90
St. Louis	2,167	3,410	68	72	70	67	72	80	70	78
Kansas City	1,351	3,036	86	73	85	75	81	78	74	78
South Atlantic :										
Baltimore	564	2,448	91	63	83	88	87	80	94	95
Richmond	1,034	627	64	67	60	70	58	75	63	77
Norfolk	1,167	1,081	80	87	83	90	76	67	74	65
E. S. Central :										
Nashville	1,200	1,694	86	90	82	94	89	89	95	91
Memphis	371	1,316	74	61	72	56	86	75	81	72
W. S. Central :										
New Orleans	899	1,045	75	79	69	79	78	80	74	81
Dallas-Ft. Worth	4,296	4,931	69	72	70	68	53	37	51	44
Pacific :										
Seattle	1,094	2,112	51	71	46	73	57	69	57	78
Tacoma	353	1,984	14	81	12	86	10	57	6	71
Portland	504	3,511	22	70	53	71	51	74	51	82
Los Angeles	2,867	5,927	76	76	70	82	74	80	77	71
San Francisco	3,726	3,597	80	83	69	87	77	86	76	65
San Jose	1,436	3,057	83	94	82	85	81	73	88	77
Modesto	945	1,634	56	80	63	91	44	85	46	90

(1) Space shown includes public warehouses within a 25-mile radius of city named.

(2) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held September 30, 1954.

(3) Insufficient returns received from this city.

Table 7. — End-of-month space and occupancy in apple houses

Regions	Net piling space (1)		Space occupied					
			September 1952		September 1953		September 1954	
	Cooler 1,000 cu. ft.	Freezer 1,000 cu. ft.	Cooler Pot.	Freezer Pot.	Cooler Pot.	Freezer Pot.	Cooler Pot.	Freezer Pot.
New England.....	2,475	—	28	—	20	—	35	—
Middle Atlantic.....	14,704	547	31	55	43	50	50	73
East North Central..	2,597	9	22	—	24	—	19	89
West North Central..	467	2	24	92	39	100	7	—
South Atlantic.....	9,554	63	19	63	31	55	32	57
East South Central.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
West South Central.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mountain.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pacific.....	35,389	—	22	82	17	64	18	—
United States (2)	65,186	621	24	63	25	59	28	72

(1) These figures represent space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held September 30, 1954.

(2) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 8. — End-of-month apple and pear holdings, by States

State	Pear holdings				Apple holdings		
	Sept. 1949-53 av.	Sept. 1953	Sept. 1954		Sept. 1949-53 av.	Sept. 1953	Sept. 1954
- Thousands of bushels -							
Vt., Mass., and Conn..	-	-	-		1,631	1,667	901
New York.....	93	80	36		2,947	3,084	3,525
New Jersey.....	44	29	43		130	96	95
Pennsylvania.....	8	4	3		183	178	130
Ohio.....	5	9	7		83	54	34
Illinois.....	19	13	25		247	228	113
Michigan.....	37	52	96		362	592	107
Missouri.....	4	4	33		246	58	33
Kansas.....	2	1	-		31	13	9
Virginia.....	2	-	-		753	491	619
West Virginia.....	-	-	-		148	165	169
Washington.....	1,664	2,010	1,348		1,264	531	270
Oregon.....	1,667	1,415	681		41	9	3
California.....	1,249	1,223	902		401	466	649
Other States (1).....	23	6	8		311	255	138
U. S. Total.....	4,817	4,846	3,182		8,778	7,887	6,795

(1) Holdings for States having significant quantities of apples or pears are given above. Other holdings shown under "Other States."

TABLE 9. -- End-of-month stocks of fruits, vegetables, and nuts

Net changes in stocks during September and comparisons:

Fresh apples: Increased by 7 million bushels; September 1953 increase was 7 million bushels; average September increase was 8 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Increased by 1 million bushels; September 1953 increase was 2 million bushels; average September increase was .3 million bushels.

Commodity	Unit	September 1949-53 av.	September 1953	August 1954	September 1954
		<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Apples, fresh:					
Western (1)	Standard box	1,498	940	182	881
Western	Bushel (2)	379	141	3	120
Eastern	Bushel basket	2,015	1,689	26	1,503
Eastern	Bushel (2)	4,886	5,117	34	4,291
Total	Bushel	8,778	7,887	245	6,795
Pears, fresh:					
Bartletts	Packed box	331	555	826	281
Bartletts	Loose box	2,134	1,919	1,346	1,210
Other varieties	Box	2,204	2,216	435	1,554
Other varieties	Bushel basket	148	156	40	137
Total	Bushel	4,817	4,846	2,647	3,182
Other fruits, vegetables, and nuts:					
Fresh grapes	Pound	(3)	49,399	10,120	46,014
Other fresh fruits	do.	45,687	17,734	19,673	8,315
Dried & evaporated fruits	do.	53,515	33,331	36,638	27,120
Onions	do.	30,837	18,639	1,842	17,941
Celery	do.	3,167	3,141	278	1,373
Other fresh vegetables .	do.	26,139	30,045	13,975	24,847
Nut meats, peanuts . . .	do.	18,629	23,218	38,770	28,248
Nut meats, other nuts . .	do.	26,946	24,405	27,416	22,751
Peanuts, in shell	do.	1,306	1,863	1,471	1,935
Other nuts, in shell . . .	do.	14,312	14,568	40,493	21,146

(1) Western apples are those grown in Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico.

(2) Other containers in terms of bushel equivalents.

(3) Data not available.

**TABLE 10.-- End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products, by States,
September 30, 1954**

State	Cream		Creamery butter	American cheese	Shell eggs	Frozen eggs	Total poultry
	Fluid	Plastic					
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 cases	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Massachusetts	523	17	4,275	1,745	9	2,713	7,958
Other States			589	104		1,008	1,991
New England			4,864	1,849	9	3,721	9,949
New York	8,437	1,175	44,878	84,257	34	11,037	28,652
New Jersey	623		30,974	14,299	62	5,752	11,955
Pennsylvania	1,810	194	15,488	22,199	33	9,415	11,535
Middle Atlantic			91,340	120,755	129	26,204	52,142
Ohio	890		17,394	16,058	24	5,006	6,607
Indiana	35		6,237	3,058	2	4,214	1,140
Illinois	1,153		121,938	75,159	353	23,816	21,037
Michigan	154		15,129	17,309	11	1,988	3,877
Wisconsin	816	49	8,503	147,509	5	644	616
East North Central			169,201	259,093	395	35,668	33,277
Minnesota	53	112	38,025	2,940	15	2,923	9,506
Iowa	43		25,664	1,718	14	5,248	4,324
Missouri	44	130	45,985	53,249	17	22,634	5,011
Dakotas			2,831	37		154	103
Nebraska	37	4	18,725	4,832	31	7,619	8,253
Kansas			17,841	32,399	11	7,905	1,323
West North Central			149,071	95,175	88	46,483	28,520
South Atlantic			17,334	40,986	43	6,860	14,044
Kentucky			1,507	6,609	4	2,311	1,285
Tennessee			7,919	21,492	8	2,573	1,481
Ala. and Mississippi			507	4,237	2	241	1,208
East South Central			9,933	32,338	14	5,125	3,974
Arkansas and Louisiana			2,519	2,071	5	1,112	2,168
Oklahoma			8,504	1,128	3	1,891	815
Texas	85		9,319	6,070	42	5,123	3,882
West South Central			20,342	9,269	50	8,126	6,865
Colorado			3,907	1,616	5	559	1,337
Other States			1,343	3,014	2	361	4,987
Mountain			5,250	4,630	7	920	6,324
Washington			6,786	1,436	6	893	2,302
Oregon			5,701	6,563	7	676	4,304
California	313	21	9,789	6,635	73	5,618	26,374
Pacific			22,276	14,634	86	7,187	32,980
Other States	1,228	161					
United States	16,244	1,863	489,611	578,729	821	140,294	188,075

TABLE 11 -- End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during September and comparisons:

Cream: Decreased by 4 million pounds; September 1953 decrease was 8 million pounds; average September decrease was 4 million pounds.

Butter: Decreased by 19 million pounds; September 1953 decrease was 12 million pounds; average September decrease was 4 million pounds.

Cheese: Decreased by 1 million pounds; September 1953 change was an increase of 15 million pounds; average September change was an increase of 8 million pounds.

Shell eggs: Decreased by 210 thousand cases; September 1953 decrease was 333 thousand cases; average September decrease was 615 thousand cases.

Frozen eggs: Decreased by 21 million pounds; September 1953 decrease was 24 million pounds; average September decrease was 23 million pounds.

Frozen poultry: Increased by 41 million pounds, September 1953 increase was 49 million pounds; average September increase was 43 million pounds.

Commodity	Unit	September 1949-53 av. Thou.	September 1953 Thou.	August 1954 Thou.	September 1954 Thou.
Cream, milk, and butter:					
Fluid cream	Pound	26,758	18,843	19,896	16,244
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat)	do.	3,512	2,601	2,352	1,863
Condensed milk (bulk)	do.	27,033	31,560	9,729	9,042
Evap. and Cond, milk (case goods)	do.	86,801	101,472	101,653	104,008
Butter, creamery.	do.	187,293	323,077	508,476	489,611
Cheese:					
American Cheddar.	do.	275,613	426,383	578,765	578,729
Swiss, including block	do.	8,183	10,287	8,694	9,216
All other varieties	do.	23,273	23,818	25,779	23,861
Total cheese.	do.	307,069	460,488	613,238	611,806
Eggs:					
Shell	Case	1,106	494	1,031	821
Frozen eggs, total.	Pound	127,861	109,869	160,797	140,294
Whites.	do.	34,498	33,955	50,996	44,257
Yolks	do.	26,550	23,315	34,542	30,268
Whole or mixed.	do.	58,632	46,840	66,918	58,281
Unclassified	do.	8,181	5,759	8,341	7,488
Dried eggs.	do.	43,045	2,682	3,563	3,153
Total eggs (1).	Case	8,753	3,611	5,557	4,774
Poultry, frozen:					
Broilers	Pound	3,894	3,536	4,162	3,870
Fryers	do.	11,941	12,542	13,831	14,114
Roasters.	do.	9,209	7,942	9,037	9,115
Fowls	do.	40,956	38,611	27,838	39,572
Turkeys	do.	51,953	69,430	50,640	77,114
Ducks	do.	13,935	14,730	16,321	16,703
Miscellaneous	do.	7,461	9,779	8,354	8,975
Unclassified	do.	20,280	19,815	16,468	18,612
Total poultry	do.	159,629	176,385	146,651	188,075

(1) Case equivalent. Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 38.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 16.2 pounds to the case.

Table 12. -- Commodities held in public general refrigerated warehouses,
July 31, 1954

Cooler commodities	Net weight	Freezer commodities	Net weight
	<u>1,000 pounds</u>		<u>1,000 pounds</u>
Apples.....	3,792	Cream.....	22,733
Pears.....	9,200	Butter, creamery.....	448,835
Other fresh fruits.....	10,470	Eggs.....	165,882
Fresh vegetables.....	15,923	Poultry.....	125,613
Dried & evap. fruits.....	37,091	Fruits.....	272,197
Nuts & nut meats.....	120,594	Juices.....	246,474
Cheese.....	461,471	Vegetables.....	377,766
Other dairy products.....	93,468	Beef.....	81,545
Shell eggs.....	57,330	Veal.....	7,281
Dried eggs.....	2,655	Pork.....	94,952
Beef.....	877	Lamb and mutton.....	5,181
Pork.....	2,930	Edible offal.....	17,050
Sausage.....	934	Sausage.....	3,264
Canned meats.....	25,855	Fish.....	118,283
Lard.....	6,477	Miscellaneous.....	40,831
Fish.....	16,438		
Miscellaneous.....	123,156		
Total.....	988,661	Total.....	2,027,887

Table 13. -- End-of-month stocks of certain commodities held by the Government (1)

Commodity	Unit	September 1949-53 av.	September 1953	August 1954	September 1954 (2)
		<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Butter, creamery.....	Lb.	106,238	279,537	449,298	388,051
American Cheddar cheese.....	do.	69,898	240,943	403,601	381,585
Shell eggs.....	Case	36	35	56	29
Frozen eggs.....	Lb.	122	190	114	75
Poultry.....	do.	6,606	8,440	3,949	3,550
Pork.....	do.	(3)	14,007	8,081	5,035
Beef.....	do.	(3)	20,947	13,801	9,570

(1) Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed Services, and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the Armed Services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available.

(2) Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

(3) Data not available.

TABLE 14. -- End-of-month stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables

Net changes in stocks during September and comparisons:

Frozen fruits: Increased by 25 million pounds; September 1953 increase was 22 million pounds; average September increase was 11 million pounds.

Frozen vegetables: Increased by 90 million pounds; September 1953 increase was 115 million pounds; average September increase was 75 million pounds.

Frozen orange juice: Decreased by 6 million gallons; September 1953 decrease was 4 million gallons.

Commodity	September 1949-53 av.	September 1953	August 1954	September 1954
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Fruits, frozen:				
Apples	10,916	8,210	8,639	7,767
Apricots	5,181	4,250	4,079	4,092
Blackberries	14,990	19,414	9,468	16,342
Blueberries	17,736	15,867	21,603	29,317
Cherries	66,374	66,042	76,226	69,114
Grapes	6,970	5,254	1,426	5,789
Peaches	24,114	26,680	19,252	30,850
Plums and prunes	8,279	8,706	3,784	9,613
Raspberries	32,875	35,373	41,674	40,291
Strawberries	116,710	149,025	143,586	142,292
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc.	12,602	11,198	16,077	14,760
All other fruits	28,805	23,503	28,729	28,861
Total	345,552	373,522	374,543	399,088
Juices, frozen:				
Orange juice (1)	117,226	136,975	286,701	223,411
Gallons equivalent (2)	11,841	13,836	28,960	22,567
Other fruit juices and purees .	49,066	70,370	114,849	104,047
Vegetables, frozen:				
Asparagus	14,733	21,214	21,237	19,532
Beans, lima	81,155	101,841	60,350	111,187
Beans, snap	64,933	82,059	86,342	101,145
Broccoli	19,618	35,314	27,009	30,383
Brussels sprouts	6,073	6,126	12,049	13,436
Cauliflower	6,325	11,948	10,472	11,716
Corn, sweet	53,613	72,037	60,405	92,034
Peas, green	173,998	224,559	197,723	189,372
Pumpkin and squash	5,522	7,163	4,269	3,864
Spinach	33,345	52,871	36,006	32,630
All other vegetables	47,353	73,221	86,447	86,558
Total	506,668	688,353	602,309	691,857

(1) Orange juice - single strenght and concentrated. Includes stocks in packer and public warehouses.

(2) Converted on the basis of 9.9 pounds per gallon.

TABLE 15. -- End-of-month stocks of meats and meat products

Net changes in stocks during September and comparisons:

Beef: Decreased by 5 million pounds; September 1953 change was an increase of 6 million pounds; average September change was an increase of 6 million pounds.

Pork: Decreased by 21 million pounds; September 1953 decrease was 65 million pounds; average September decrease was 80 million pounds.

Other meats and meat products: Decreased by 7 million pounds, September 1953 decrease was 12 million pounds; average September decrease was 9 million pounds.

Commodity	September 1949-53 av.	September 1953	August 1954	September 1954
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Beef:				
Frozen	103,288	138,139	104,781	100,830
In cure, cured and smoked	8,245	8,704	8,486	7,879
Total	111,533	146,843	113,267	108,709
Pork:				
Frozen	103,710	98,165	126,560	106,473
Dry salt, in cure and cured	29,098	18,234	28,235	20,767
Other in cure, cured, and smoked	119,734	84,198	73,943	80,669
Total	252,542	200,597	228,738	207,909
Other meats and meat products:				
Sausage and sausage room products	13,364	15,030	14,109	13,992
Frozen lamb and mutton	8,729	10,113	7,867	8,052
Frozen veal	9,826	12,533	12,916	12,173
Canned meats and meat products . .	24,234	26,120	41,425	34,327
All edible offal	48,047	48,921	48,961	49,523
Total	104,200	112,717	125,278	118,067
Total all meats	468,275	460,157	467,283	434,685
Hides and pelts	61,488	67,439	95,738	98,193

Table 16. — End-of-month stocks of fishery products (1)

Species	September 1949-53 av.	September 1953	August 1954	September 1954
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Frozen fish:				
Salt-water:				
Bait and animal food.....	2,988	4,415	5,648	4,448
Cod, haddock, hake, pollock, whole..	1,001	981	1,023	1,751
Fillets:				
Cod.....	9,600	8,486	15,396	16,534
Flounder (inc. sole).....	3,918	3,264	3,329	2,093
Haddock.....	10,827	10,975	15,811	16,414
Mackerel.....	300	248	229	246
Pollock.....	1,269	1,248	1,154	901
Ocean perch.....	15,152	16,595	18,967	20,434
Whiting.....	2,586	2,044	1,478	1,402
Other salt-water fillets.....	4,681	8,170	6,663	5,786
Flounders (including sole).....	1,363	2,498	886	1,859
Halibut.....	22,220	23,019	30,173	27,742
Herring, sea.....	934	751	667	708
Mackerel, Boston.....	1,707	1,139	1,521	1,619
Sablefish.....	3,388	2,159	1,931	3,242
Salmon:				
King or chinook.....	5,096	5,879	5,089	5,788
Silver or coho.....	5,066	4,633	4,756	6,294
Fall or chum.....	818	690	460	555
Pink.....	104	257	121	91
Unclassified salmon.....	1,039	871	1,202	1,221
Scup (porgies).....	695	668	675	589
Smelt, sea.....	1,241	1,298	1,201	999
Swordfish.....	1,892	1,379	2,399	1,997
Tuna.....	2,706	632	1,677	2,943
Whiting (except fillets).....	19,012	17,701	10,702	10,597
Unclassified salt-water fish.....	15,665	15,317	14,956	17,759
Fresh-water:				
Bait and animal food.....	554	674	1,236	926
Chubs.....	1,045	1,388	869	930
Lake herring & cisco (ex. fillets)...	283	271	226	162
Trout.....	784	987	930	1,390
Whitefish.....	2,019	2,246	1,665	1,964
Unclassified fresh-water fillets.....	757	704	2,058	2,118
Uncl. fresh-water fish (ex. fillets)...	4,025	4,292	5,159	4,869
Shellfish:				
Lobster tails (spiny lobster).....	1,629	2,286	2,484	1,904
Scallops.....	2,818	4,704	1,787	1,563
Shrimp.....	14,075	14,823	20,632	25,021
Squid.....	2,068	2,448	1,521	1,319
Unclassified shellfish.....	2,738	4,500	3,857	4,411
Total frozen fish and shellfish...	168,063	174,640	190,538	200,589
Cured fish.....	29,521	26,203	19,778	17,927
Total all fish and shellfish.....	197,584	200,843	210,316	218,516

(1) Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, which publishes a report giving detailed information, species, and geographical sections.

TABLE 17. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions. September 30, 1954

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Fruits, frozen:											
Apples	Pound	829	2,232	1,644	608	1,603	144	179	77	451	7,767
Apricots	do.	41	300	880	249	95	15	245	234	2,033	4,092
Blackberries	do.	60	1,637	896	452	441	551	1,211	71	11,023	16,342
Blueberries	do.	5,429	9,568	9,504	2,332	1,232	79	92	138	943	29,317
Cherries	do.	582	34,886	19,343	4,240	1,194	465	480	1,861	6,063	69,114
Grapes	do.	13	550	4,554	223	11	35	17	12	374	5,789
Peaches	do.	481	7,418	4,266	1,222	6,399	837	507	416	9,304	30,850
Plums and prunes	do.	23	2,019	2,841	128	169	196	181	28	4,028	9,613
Raspberries	do.	1,506	6,713	4,721	2,987	742	337	205	287	22,793	40,291
Strawberries	do.	6,224	23,645	17,119	9,151	4,996	4,400	3,161	1,599	71,997	142,292
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc.	do.	66	696	1,271	994	61	173	117	148	11,234	14,760
All other fruits	do.	4,750	5,470	5,814	1,400	1,680	524	725	223	8,275	28,861
Total	do.	20,004	95,134	72,853	23,986	18,623	7,756	7,120	5,094	148,518	399,088
Juices, frozen:											
Orange juice (1)	do.	5,392	17,066	15,876	5,606	159,965	2,857	5,588	990	10,071	223,411
Other fruit juices and purees	do.	3,128	23,919	20,239	10,310	17,958	1,703	3,387	1,476	21,927	104,047
Vegetables, frozen:											
Asparagus	do.	675	4,875	1,927	1,496	2,942	321	441	404	6,451	19,532
Beans, lima	do.	1,771	20,370	9,035	6,871	16,621	1,477	1,367	8,878	44,797	111,187
Beans, snap	do.	3,418	36,644	6,837	3,568	12,210	1,663	844	996	34,965	101,145
Broccoli	do.	1,039	6,422	2,654	2,772	1,349	448	776	952	13,971	30,383
Brussels sprouts	do.	500	2,581	1,118	1,783	444	299	238	335	6,138	13,436
Cauliflower	do.	410	2,004	951	980	978	326	248	291	5,528	11,716
Corn, sweet	do.	2,048	19,851	10,275	18,437	5,034	1,310	1,335	3,544	30,200	92,034
Pears, green	do.	9,223	37,649	17,449	26,924	7,350	2,979	2,145	3,904	81,749	189,372
Pumpkin and squash	do.	240	1,104	589	593	367	79	132	122	638	3,864
Spinach	do.	837	10,414	3,067	1,526	3,491	548	1,046	563	11,138	32,630
All other vegetables	do.	3,050	19,225	12,022	9,505	12,835	5,308	3,643	3,536	17,434	86,558
Total	do.	23,211	161,139	65,924	74,455	63,621	14,758	12,215	23,525	253,009	691,857
Fruits, vegetables and nuts:											
Fresh grapes	do.	-	192	288	78	39	-	31	-	45,386	46,014
Other fresh fruits	do.	41	4,829	1,608	151	402	258	120	296	610	8,315
Dried and evaporated fruits	do.	958	11,187	5,985	1,349	2,522	829	1,952	36	2,302	27,120
Onions	do.	-	11,467	209	9	29	-	176	-	6,051	17,941
Celery	do.	-	546	123	636	60	8	-	-	-	1,373
Other fresh vegetables	do.	41	5,193	4,994	675	1,530	182	1,316	783	10,173	24,817
Peanut meats	do.	1,260	662	6,620	409	13,709	1,575	3,275	-	738	28,248
Other nut meats	do.	1,146	4,977	3,854	3,346	1,385	478	1,741	114	5,708	22,751
Peanuts, in shell	do.	41	126	437	103	981	-	59	-	188	1,935
Other nuts, in shell	do.	1,570	2,015	1,812	2,328	4,242	1,314	4,117	51	3,697	21,146
Fresh apples	do.	944	3,750	281	44	826	9	3	16	922	6,795
Fresh pears	do.	-	83	130	33	1	-	2	3	2,930	3,182

(1) Concentrated and single strength.

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TABLE 17. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, September 30, 1954 -- Continued

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Dairy products and eggs:											
Cream (not including plastic) . . .	Pound	892	10,870	3,048	177	417	285	158	70	327	16,244
Cream, plastic	do.	22	1,369	49	246	132	-	-	24	21	1,863
Butter, creamery	do.	4,864	91,340	169,201	149,071	17,334	9,933	20,342	5,250	22,276	489,611
Cheese, American Cheddar	do.	1,849	120,755	259,093	95,175	40,986	32,338	9,269	4,630	14,634	578,729
Cheese, Swiss including block	do.	1	627	6,510	1,535	47	-	124	107	265	9,216
Cheese, all other varieties	do.	826	8,161	9,292	842	916	307	1,310	95	2,112	23,861
Eggs, shell	Case	9	129	395	88	43	14	50	7	86	821
Eggs, frozen	Pound	3,721	26,204	35,668	46,483	6,860	5,125	8,126	920	7,187	140,294
Eggs, dried	do.	68	460	882	1,531	3	33	14	4	158	3,153
Poultry, frozen:											
Broilers	do.	93	687	285	757	553	328	452	19	696	3,870
Fryers	do.	656	2,610	1,745	1,525	3,735	776	1,123	303	1,641	14,114
Roasters	do.	1,326	5,002	764	995	221	10	65	26	706	9,115
Fowls	do.	2,694	11,790	6,601	11,877	1,391	527	1,235	82	3,375	39,572
Turkeys	do.	3,297	15,229	12,728	10,428	5,409	979	2,488	4,815	21,741	77,114
Ducks	do.	1,120	12,115	2,024	318	295	33	279	38	481	16,703
Miscellaneous	do.	661	3,005	1,754	1,903	415	121	88	29	999	8,975
Unclassified	do.	102	1,704	7,376	717	2,025	1,200	1,135	1,012	3,341	18,612
Total	do.	9,949	52,142	33,277	28,520	14,044	3,974	6,865	6,324	32,980	188,075
Meats, meat products and fish:											
Beef, frozen	do.	9,411	15,025	25,060	13,961	4,461	4,215	10,285	2,076	16,334	100,839
Veal, frozen	do.	706	2,279	2,685	2,255	814	358	1,928	265	883	12,173
Pork, frozen	do.	2,570	8,855	39,634	36,079	4,559	3,104	4,149	1,056	6,467	106,473
Lamb and mutton, frozen	do.	698	1,338	1,390	1,439	191	8	2,042	307	639	8,052
Beef, in cure, cured and smoked . .	do.	46	1,255	2,937	2,535	523	18	254	20	291	7,879
Dry salt pork, in cure & cured . . .	do.	338	352	8,167	8,153	1,352	457	482	437	1,029	20,767
All other pork, in cure, cured and smoked	do.	761	5,895	16,581	41,014	5,025	1,062	4,462	1,722	4,147	80,669
All edible offal	do.	1,283	5,138	15,156	18,593	2,038	2,466	1,803	1,186	1,840	49,523
Sausage room products	do.	245	2,667	5,062	3,063	779	194	603	220	1,159	13,992
Canned meats and meat products . . .	do.	626	6,789	10,245	12,343	716	64	1,222	260	2,062	34,327
Total	do.	16,604	49,593	126,917	139,435	20,458	11,966	27,230	7,551	34,851	434,685
Hides and pelts	do.	6,129	1,082	41,541	36,530	2,699	798	5,300	2,042	2,072	98,193
Fish, frozen	do.	59,573	32,167	23,889	6,112	9,316	13,102	3,276	831	(1)52,323	200,589

(1) Includes fish in Alaska.

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